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Subject: Tega Cay Water Service requests

Lake Wylie users and Tega Cay residents need your help to address the multiple sewage spills into Lake Wylie from Utilities Inc./Tega Cay Water Service's (UI/TCWS) wastewater operations in Tega Cay. This in no way addresses the health problems associated with the multiple sewage spills into private homes that pose severe health problems but are not posted by DHEC. We have suffered through these spills over the years causing health and safety concerns that we are powerless to correct. We respectfully request:

1. Please require UI/TCWS to close its two operating wastewater treatment plants and remove all three wastewater treatment plants from Tega Cay, at UI/TCWS expense. Closing these treatment plants would have eliminated over 90% of the sewage spilled in 2011, 2012, 2013 in Tega Cay - of the approximately 266,000 gallons spilled in three years, roughly 253,000 gallons spilled from the treatment plants that should be closed and removed. (Overflow data source: Richard J. Durham, UI/TCWS Regional Vice President of Operations, Docket 2013-168-WS, Exhibit RJD-1, SSO Log, 06/18/13.) Besides drastically reducing Tega Cay sewage spills, this would eliminate significant UI/TCWS wastewater plant maintenance expenses. We are a small city and do not need three poorly maintained and costly wastewater treatment plants operated by an unreliable service provider.
2. Please require UI/TCWS to connect the sewage lines to Tega Cay Utility Department and pump the wastewater to the Rock Hill Treatment Plant. We understand that the Rock Hill Treatment plant manager and the Deputy City Manager have indicated that they could indeed handle the increased sewage we would send to them via Tega Cay Utility Department lines.
3. Please protect our City residents from the next proposed rate increase that will likely result from the UI/TCWS work underway. We should NOT have to pay for expenses the utility is incurring NOW because UI/TCWS previously neglected critical maintenance and investment? (This is evident by the increased number of SSO's in 2013.)

It is appropriate for the PSC to consider greater efficiencies and reduced costs as shown in Utilities Services versus ORS, opinion #26952 under A Fairness of Rate Increase. We rely on your continued support, and actions, to keep Lake Wylie clean.

We appreciate your help,

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